

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:
Michael D. Hooven
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Confirmation No.: 7290
Examiner: Rosiland S. Rollins
For: TRANSMURAL ABLATION DEVICE

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF MAY 19, 2006
ACCOMPANYING A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and appropriate RCE fee accompany this amendment.

In response to the Final Office Action of May 19, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows: